

Town of Slaughter Beach

Public Notice

A **Special Community Outreach Meeting of the Slaughter Beach Town Council** will be held on **Friday, September 5, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.** in the downstairs meeting room of the Slaughter Beach Memorial Volunteer Fire Company. All Slaughter Beach residents are invited to attend; the public is also welcome. (Please be advised that this agenda is subject to amendments including additional or deleted items, including Executive Sessions but only additional items of an emergency nature (29 Del. Code @ 1004 (e) (1) or with notice at least 6 hours in advance of the meeting and only for items that may not be reasonably deferred to a later meeting). Agenda items may be considered out of sequence.

Order of Business:

1. Call meeting to order
2. Welcoming & Introductions by Mayor & Vice Mayor to tonight's meeting
3. Introduce honored guest- Darlene Messina, FEMA regional mitigation planning specialist; Michael Powell, Environmental Scientist, Flood Mitigation Program of DNREC; Jeff Shockley, Certified Floodplain Manager, Environmental Planner of Sussex County; Mike Bennetti, Bennetti- Holmes Insurance of Dover; Bob Clendaniel, Slaughter Beach Building Inspector & Floodplain Manager (BI/FPM).
4. Short presentation by guests- Michael Powell- a general overview of NFIP, its history & how it has changed & is changing; DNREC's role in the Town pertaining to FEMA, their role with FEMA, etc. Bob Clendaniel- review of National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) regulations, including our current status with NFIP, importance of notifying BI/FPM prior to any improvements on our properties, explanation of elevation certificates (EC's), etc. Jeff Shockley- Sussex County's role in Town, & their role overseeing & enforcing our floodplain ordinance in conjunction with our BI/FPM, importance of final CO's & as built elevation certificates (EC); Mike Bennetti (Bennetti-Holmes Insurance)- changes in the flood insurance rates due to Biggert- Waters Flood Insurance reform Act & Del. SB 64, Grimm- Waters, etc... how rates are proposed to change going forward, what residents can do to ensure they are paying proper rate, what they might do to possible lower rate, etc; Darlene Messina- FEMA's role in Town pertaining to NFIP, their role with DNREC, proposed changes to NFIP going forward, importance of the Town having continuity going forward in oversight of program to benefit the Town, explain minus rated properties, elaboration on any topics thus far.
5. Panel & council's further explanations on proposed changes coming to our Floodplain Ordinance, explanation of freeboard, measures property owners may take beyond those required by the ordinance to make their properties less susceptible to flood damage, & possibly ways to lower their rates, & any other topics pertinent
6. Open discussion & opportunity for residents to ask questions of the panel
7. Closing statements by guest panel & council
8. Adjournment

Prepared by Vice Mayor, Amy Parker

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